GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:881
ANSWERED ON:26.02.2009
UNFAIR PRICING OF DIESEL PETROL BY STATE OWNED OIL COMPANIES
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether private sector oil companies have referred the issue of unfair pricing of diesel and petrol by the state owned oil companies to Oil Sector Regulatory Authority;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the action taken by Oil Sector Regulatory Authority in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS(SHRI DINSHA PATEL)

(a)to(c): Yes,Sir.The Petroleum and Natural Gas Regulatory Board (PNGRB) has informed that the Board had received a complaint dated 12th February, 2008 in the matter of M/s Reliance Industries Ltd. & others Vs M/s Indian Oil Corporation and others, under the provisions of section 12 read with section 11 (a) of the PNGRB Act, 2006. The Board had issued an interim order on 12th December, 2008 confirming its jurisdiction to consider the matter. The State-owned Oil Companies have however filed an appeal against this order before the Appellate Tribunal for Electricity under section 33 of the PNGRB Act, 2006 and section 111 of the Electricity Act, 2003.The matter is pending before the Appellate Tribunal for Electricity.